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## Opening Holiday Goods.

### HERE IS SARCASM.

A Stenographer's Reply to a Generous Offer

### MADE IN A WANT ADVERTISEMENT.

A Competent Typewriter Offered the Magnificent Sum of \$25 a Month.

The stenographers of Topeka have been greatly amused at this "ad." found in the "Want" column of a Topeka paper this week:

WANTED—A stenographer for a month. Will pay \$25 per month and a rapid writer. Address A. H. C. at the office. The idea of paying \$25 a month for the quality of help desired, so impressed a young stenographer of the Santa Fe office, who is of a sarcastic turn of mind, that this letter was mailed in reply:

"DEAR SIR:—I have in mind an excellent young man whom I think will fill the bill to the letter. He is 22 years of age, unmarried and lives with his parents, thus all money falling into his possession will be clear gain. He has the reputation while at home of being very orderly, industrious, and economical in the use of profane language. As he is tall and of good appearance, he would make a good ornament for your office."

"I have spoken to him about this matter, and he tells me that should he be favored with the appointment he would be pleased to have you dismiss one of two of your employees and, in lieu of him, he would be willing to rustle boxes or heavy office material, or scrub the floor in his leisure moments when he is not engaged as a stenographer. He also informs me that he would hesitate about taking twenty-five dollars as a wholesale rate for a month's services, as he might be accused of bank robbery, or should he let the fact escape that he had so much money about him he might be waylaid, and if he was only getting \$25 he would not lose so much, and he is very reluctant in taking more than he feels he has earned. I have almost persuaded him to accept the amount you offer, for he is a good sprinter and a hard man to beat with the gloves on, and you might want him to do collecting of small bills before and after office hours, and that would be highly pleasing to him."

"The young man is an expert on the typewriter, and can take dictation at the rate of 25 words per minute. He can also speak and write fluently English, French, German, and several other languages, and there would be no hesitancy in taking your dictation even if your descendants had a little mixture of foreign blood. I would offer the suggestion that you get another dictator to help you during your most busy hours, as it will give him the necessary practice and add much to the lustre and length of your letters."

"I feel confident this genius would fulfill all your requirements, and by faithful work and long hours could come very near earning the stipend you offer of \$25. Meet me at the head of Quincy street tonight at midnight and I will introduce the gentleman to you, and you

can tie a rope around his neck and lead him to your little den.

"Trusting you will treat this as confidential, and wishing you future prosperity, I remain yours very truly,  
"F. G. H. L. J."

### COMING ATTRACTIONS.

The Patti Ross Company, "A Summer

Blizzard" and "Juno" at the Grand. Gladys Wallis, who will appear at the Grand on Saturday night with Joe Cawthorne and the old Patti Ross company in "A Girl's Way," is under the management of John W. Dunn, who is known as a very successful manager, having been Patti's manager for several seasons. This is Miss Wallis' first season.

"A Girl's Way" is from the pen of Blanche Marden. Tomorrow night the patrons of the Grand will have an opportunity to get caught in "A Summer Blizzard," a musical farce comedy that hails from St. Louis. Miss Nellie Ross is the star. The many people who liked "Juno" last year will be glad to hear that it is coming again this season and will be at the Grand on Thursday evening, the 13th. This company is under the management of Gustave Frohman. Jennie Freeman is not playing at all this year, but the cast is said to be a good one.

German Comedy at the Crawford. James A. Riley will be at the Crawford on Monday and Tuesday nights of next week in German dialect comedy, in the piece called "A German Soldier." Riley is not new to the part, and it is said he has good company. The price will be 25, 35 and 50 cents. Allison R. Sears, a son of T. C. Sears, the Ottawa politician of long ago, is with the company as musical director.

### NEW CORPORATIONS.

Companies Organized To Do Business in Kansas Granted Charters.

The following new corporations have filed their charters at the office of the secretary of state:

The Columbia Coal Mining company of Chetopa, Kansas. Capital stock \$150,000. Directors—Junius O. Hall, W. S. Maloney, O. J. Nichols, James B. Graham, Daniel C. Finn, James P. Campbell and Chas. L. McClung.

The Afro-American Labor and Benevolent association of Leavenworth. This association proposes to engage in charitable work and it has no capital stock. The directors are A. W. Hopkins, S. R. Lowry, William Coleman, George Anderson, J. H. Taylor, Squire Williams and G. W. H. Ross.

### Conductors Elect Officers.

The Order of Railway Conductors at their meeting in Newton this week elected officers as follows: C. C. H. Woodcock; Asst. C. C. F. A. Murphy; S. C. John McCabe, J. C. D. C. Conway; I. S. E. H. Judd; O. S. H. E. Worten; secretary and Treasurer, A. C. Whitford; delegate to Atlanta convention, E. F. Elliot; alternate, G. W. Ross.

Impartial critics pronounce the Slayton Jubilee Singers one of the best combinations of jubilee singers ever heard on the concert stage. Washburn chapel Friday evening, December 7th. Library hall Saturday evening, December 8th.

New neck bands put on your shirts at TOPEKA STRAM LAUNDRY.

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### SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

There are two new poker sharks in town.

Capitol lodge A. O. U. W., will elect officers tonight.

An out-of-town paper says: "Cy Leiland admits his guilt."

There is a large attendance of women at the state alliance.

Probate Judge-elect J. G. Wood belongs to the Old Settlers' society.

The Fifteenth street bridge across the Shunganunga is being repaired.

Col. C. K. Holliday intends to write a history of Topeka and the Santa Fe railroad.

The Woman's Keeley league is preparing to send a minister's son to the institute.

The Dix Knitting company of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, may move to Topeka.

The annual reunion of Siloam lodge, A. F. & A. M., will be held a week from tonight.

J. B. Bartholomew has gone to Chicago to attend a meeting of the dam company.

C. N. Beal will move his family and ship his household goods to California next week.

Sports say there is going to be considerable of "the real stuff" in Topeka on Christmas eve.

There are several worse writers in Topeka than Judge Hazen—those who can't write at all.

The evidence in the Gibson pension case was concluded last evening before Judge Foster.

The Hillman case threatens to be several degrees worse than the Decker, Mullins & Berry case.

Atchison is going into ecstasies over an electric railway system that Topeka has had for five years.

The members of the Woman's Keeley league are holding a meeting this afternoon at the Throop.

The Woman's Republican association is to hold a meeting in the Masonic building tomorrow afternoon.

The receipts at the state treasurer's office last month were \$39,397, while the disbursements were \$173,787.

This is the season of the year when girls hide mysterious bundles in the deepest corner of their trunks.

Bert Lemon, a member of the football team of the Athletic club had his nose broken in practice at the gymnasium.

L. S. Dolman, R. B. McManis and J. J. Miller are the Republican candidates for police commissioner from North Topeka.

Scrapers enough for use in muddy weather have been placed at the high school building to clean the feet of an army.

There are epidemics of diphtheria in several Kansas towns, but Topeka is still comparatively free from the dread disease.

This is the last day allowed for filing of statements of election expenses, it having been just 30 days since Kansas redeemed herself.

Half a block of new brick sidewalk is being built on the east side of Kansas avenue south of Fifth street, where it has been much needed.

Ex-Governor Thomas A. Osborn, one of the new Santa Fe directors, says a new president will not be elected until the company is reorganized.

Sheriff Burdge thinks he has located another stolen bicycle. Topeka people who have lost theirs are requested to send descriptions to him.

Topeka commandery of the Knights Templar had a banquet last night in honor of several candidates whom they put through the Red Cross degree.

Henrietta Powell, who scored a touchdown against Mrs. Kitchen with a board full of nails a couple of weeks ago, was fined \$50.00, and is in the county jail.

Nearly every woman in town declares that Mme. Yale was painted, her eyebrows penciled, her hair colored, and some are mean enough to say she was padded. Oh, women.

When Ralph Skinner was married the other day some of his friends decided to decorate his trunk, but he hired a colored prize fighter to sit on it and smoke bad cigars, and it wasn't decorated.

The high school graduating class will have souvenir programmes after all. The class decided that since the school board was too close to print them, they would pay the expense themselves.

A Wichita man tried to poke his cane through the broken plate glass window between Sixth and Seventh streets on Kansas avenue last night before he noticed that the hole and break were painted.

The row among the papers printed at the state university has become so bitter that Lawrence merchants are signing a paper agreeing not to advertise in uni-

versity papers unless they are all consolidated into one.

In the society column of the Topeka Capital of Sunday there was an elaborate writeup of a swell wedding. The paper mentioned everyone connected with the affair save the bridegroom, and never once even intimated who he was. In a case of that kind the bridegroom cuts mighty little figure anyway.—Lawrence Journal.

### TELEPHONE IN HIS HAT.

A Silk Hat That Was Actually Talked Through, But Not by Its Owner.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—A peculiar story of alleged blackmail and unique detective work in which a portable telephone figured prominently, was developed today, in the case of Attorney Charles Loas, who was held in heavy bonds by the United States commissioner, Wirt, charged with sending objectionable letters through the mails.

The plaintiff, Dr. Peter Janz, a prominent physician, had for a long time, according to his story, been paying less varying sums for the suppression of a disagreeable bit of private history and was finally driven to desperation when his wife received a letter from the lawyer.

Loas, the doctor said, frankly admitted writing the letter, when no witnesses were present, but denied all knowledge of it when others were about. At last at the advice of Attorney Luther Lavin Mills, Dr. Janz fitted a small telephone in his silk hat with a slender gold wire trailing behind which connected with a telephone outside the lawyer's office, at which two receivers were stationed, a detective and a stenographer.

Dr. Janz declares he easily induced Loas to again admit that he had written the letter and demanded more money. Then Dr. Janz exhibited his telephone, explained to the astounded lawyer that he had been talking through the doctor's hat and secured with the evidence, secured the arrest. The case will be tried shortly by the United States authorities.

### DONNELLY SICK OF IT.

The Minnesota Populist Sage Retires From Political Life.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 6.—Ignatius Donnelly in his resignation of the presidency of the State Farmers' alliance says:

"I feel that I have too much to do, and that the work should go into more youthful and energetic hands. I have done my part. I desire for the rest of my life to devote myself to literary work and to do writing for the columns of the Representative."

God seems to have decreed that I should never possess any high position from which I could carry out my ideas for the good of the human family. Even the privilege of working for the people in the legislative field of the legislature of the state is denied me.

With a brain busy with schemes for the welfare of men, and a heart full of benevolent impulses I am left as utterly powerless as if I had been transferred bodily to the remotest wilds of Alaska. Corporate power has built a wall of fire around me through which I cannot pass.

But at least, through the columns of the Representative, I can reach out and influence the minds of men in this state, as through my books I have been able to rouse millions all over the world from their torpor. And so when I pass the gates I shall not, I trust, go with hands altogether empty.

Russian Forces on Turkish Frontier. LONDON, Dec. 6.—An Ottoman dispatch to the Times records a large increase in the Russian force along the Turkish frontier. This is supposed to account for the disturbed state of Armenia.

When The Votes are Counted. A majority will be found in favor of "Snow's Pine Expectorant" for Coughs and Colds. For sale by all druggists. Price 25c and 50c bottle.

The Slayton Jubilee Singers are meeting with great success everywhere. They will give one of their splendid concerts at Washburn Chapel, Friday Dec. 7th, and one at Library hall Saturday Dec. 8. Don't fail to hear them.

The Slayton's are the best troupe of Jubilee Singers on the road. If you love Negro Melody hear them at Washburn Chapel Dec. 7th, at Library hall Dec. 8.

The programme given by the Slayton Jubilee Singers will consist of Solos, Duets, Choruses and Humorous Selections. Washburn Chapel Dec. 7. Library hall Dec. 8.

Slayton's Jubilee Singers at Washburn College Dec. 7. Library hall Dec. 8.

The Jubilees. At Washburn Friday evening and Library hall Saturday.

See calls up the Peeries. Window Glass at Holme's Drug Store.

Dr. Addie Kester at Dalton House.

### Novelties

## Christmas Goods

Arriving Daily at the Little Store Around the Corner.

118 East 6th St.

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### KANSAS E. S. A. MEETS.

A Bitter Fight is to Be Made on Mrs. Johns Who Won't Resign.

WINFIELD, Kan., Dec. 6.—The eighth annual meeting of the Kansas Equal Suffrage association bids fair to be more interesting than any of the other seven, and unless some unusual steps are taken it will be the liveliest by far. When women disagree it means more than when doctors disagree, and the admissions that are being exchanged about making the convention harmonious and well-behaved meet with the approval of all delegates, but every one makes a mental reservation that "if so and so happens" she will "speak her mind."

The fight that has been made against Mrs. Laura M. Johns, president of the Equal suffrage association, on account of her partisan work in the Republican association, will culminate in this convention, and, according to Mrs. Johns' supporters, she will not resign for fear it will be taken as an acknowledgment of the charges against her. Her right bowlers are determined to elect her now as a vindication. The anti-Johns women are willing to accept a Republican woman as president, but they stipulate that she shall do no partisan work.

The first session began this morning in the Methodist church, and after the appointment of committees and the annual address of the president a report from the district presidents was heard, and they are all Johns women. Mrs. Ruth F. Durgin represents the First district; Dr. S. C. Hall, Second district; Helen L. Kinner, Third district; S. A. Thurston, Fourth; May B. Brown, Fifth; A. A. Welch, sixth, and Caroline Denton, Seventh. This afternoon Mrs. Alice L. David of Leroy will read a paper on the lessons of the campaign, and a general discussion of the following important question will occupy considerable of the time: "Resolved, that the State E. S. A. asks the legislature to resubmit the woman suffrage amendment."

### DEBS WILL BE THERE.

Will Ask Indorsement at the Denver Federation of Labor Meeting.

DENVER, Dec. 6.—It is announced that Eugene Debs, president of the American Railway union, will attend the convention of the American Federation of Labor in Denver next week, and will endeavor to secure an endorsement of his plan to amalgamate labor organizations into one vast federation, to be known as the "United Federation of Working Men."

He will also ask the convention to approve last summer's strike. This will probably be strongly opposed by Samuel Gompers, president of the American federation.

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8 lbs Navy Beans, 25c.  
100 lbs good Flour, \$1.10.  
Fresh Country Eggs, per dozen, 20c.  
8 lbs pure Buckwheat, 25c.  
100 lb sack pure Buckwheat, \$2.75.  
1/2 gal. can Syrup, 35c.  
Oil or Gasoline, per gallon, 10c.  
10 lbs Hominy, 25c.  
Finest Colorado Potatoes, 65c, in large quantities, less.  
Small box Soda Crackers, 10c.  
5 gal. keg pure Cider Vinegar, \$1.15.  
8 cans Jams in tin, 25c.  
5 lbs Rice, 25c.  
Japan Tea, per lb, 25c, 5 lbs, \$1.00.  
Oolong Tea, per lb, 25c, 5 lbs, \$1.00.  
Gunpowder Tea, per lb, 25c, 5 lbs, \$1.00.  
Sour Kraut, per quart, 6c.  
4 lbs 30c Coffee, \$1.00.  
8 cans 15c Corn, 25c

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### FRIENDS OF ARMENIA.

They Ask the President and Czar to Interfere with Turkey

BOSTON, Dec. 6.—The society of the Friends of Armenia of this city today began to circulate a petition to the president of the United States and to the czar of Russia, asking them to interfere to prevent the further slaughter of Armenians by the Turks and secure reparation for the blood already shed. The paper will be carried to St. Petersburg by special representatives of the society.

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